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Those who follow Jesus switch from

### TAKING to RECEIVING

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#### Living as Takers

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Yet to all who did **receive** him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God

John 1:12

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, **it is the gift of God**— not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

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MANNA (WHAT IS IT? I DON'T KNOW, BUT I'LL RECEIVE IT!)

• Learn to receive **G R A C E** 

SALVATION

• Learn to receive **<u>TRUTH</u>** 

**OPENNESS TO WHAT IS OFFERED RATHER THAN WHAT I THINK I NEED** 

### • Learn to receive **OPPORTUNITIES**.

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